

31.8; Stockholm, 28.9; Breslau, 28.6; Munich, 35.9; Pesth, 35.3; Naples, 31.7, and Alexandria, 54.4. The annual death-rate of Halifax city, however, is high in comparison with other large cities, which shows clearly that its sanitary condition is not so thorough and efficient as it should be. The death-rate could certainly be largely reduced by the adoption of efficient sanitary measures, and the vigorous enforcement of the same. . . . The present death-rate of London is only 21.10 in each 1,000 of the population, or 5.75 deaths less than in this city in the like number. Philadelphia exhibits a still lower death rate, being only 20.67 deaths in every 1,000 persons living: Glasgow is 22 in the like number; Edinburgh 23; Dublin 23.1; Belfast 22; Paris 24.5; Brussels 21.3; Boston 22.95, and Chicago 23.40.

The infant mortality embraces nearly one fourth of the whole deaths for the period referred to. Of the 256 deaths, 60 were those of children under one year of age; . . . and 2 above 90 years. Among the causes of death, diphtheria was the most fatal, causing one-fourth of the deaths returned as actually taking place in the city. . . .

HUGH McMILLAN.

Sec'y. of Statistics.

Registration Office, March 22, 1877.

## Parliamentary.

### HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

ON TUESDAY of last week the Hon. Provincial Secretary submitted the Estimates for 1877. There is a diminution in some items from last year and an increase in others. The following, having a comparison of the two years, will shew at a glance the differences:

	ESTIMATE. SERVICE.	ESTIMATE. 1876.
Agriculture.....	\$ 12,000 00	\$ 10,000 00
Contingencies.....	900 00	900 00
Crown Lands.....	12,000 00	8,000 00
Crown Prosecu- tions.....	1,900 00	2,000 00
Education.....	180,000 00	185,000 00
Immigration.....	5,800 00	2,500 00
Legislative Ex- penses.....	40,000 00	40,000 00
Local Works.....	60,000 00	50,000 00
Mines.....	10,000 00	7,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	17,000 00	11,000 00
Nav'g'n Securities.....	18,000 00	10,000 00
Normal School Building.....	4,000 00	3,500 00
Public Printing.....	6,000 00	8,000 00
Poor's Asylum.....	20,000 00	16,000 00
Hospital.....	4,000 00	4,000 00
R'ds and Bridges.....	175,000 00	175,000 00
" Compensat'n Salaries.....	500 00	250 00
St'mboats, Pack- ets and Ferries.....	19,350 00	16,500 00
Transient Poor.....	11,868 00	23,000 00
	1,600 00	1,500 00
		\$574,150 00
Coroners' Inq'sts.....	2,000 00	
Cape Breton Re- lief.....	3,153 10	
Lunatic Asylum, Construction, furniture, &c.....	5,000 00	
Centennial Ex- hibition.....	6,000 00	
Advances.....		
Interest.....		
Special.....		
Digby Rail Road Damages.....		
		\$810,971 00
		ASSETS 1st JANUARY, 1877.
Road Advances.....	\$ 80,000 00	
Advance to Cape Breton Co.....	1,250 00	
do. Richmond.....	2,500 00	
do. Guysboro.....	1,218 91	
do. Exhibition, Philadelphia.....	745 19	
do. Education.....	7,566 50	
do. Gold speci- mens, say.....	1,000 00	
do. R'lway dam- ages, Digby.....	3,000 00	
do. do. Yarmouth, balance.....	2,319 00	
Due Insane Asy- lum.....	56,818 90	
do. for Royalty.....	55,908 62	
		\$212,808 12
		LESS.
Undrawn Road Monies.....	\$ 10,627 51	
do. Navigation Securities.....	1,500 00	
To meet deficit of 1876.....	121,781 87	
		\$133,908 28
		\$78,899 34
		PROBABLE REVENUE FOR 1877.
Subsidy.....	\$450,256 00	
Mines.....	60,000 00	
Hosp'l for Insane.....	40,000 00	
Crown Lands.....	6,000 00	
Marriage Licenses etc.....	6,000 00	
Royal Gazette.....	3,500 00	
		\$574,756 00
Total Revenue.....	658,155 34	
Estimated Expen- diture for 1877.....	\$574,150 40	
Balance.....	\$ 79,005 34	

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Halifax North Church,—Mrs. Manning.....	\$ 20,25
Windsor,—Miss S. Shand.....	31,00
Pine Grove,—Mrs. J. P. Dodge.....	6,00
Summerville,—Miss S. E. Masters.....	11,30

M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.

Halifax, April 4th, 1877.

TO MEMBERS OF W. M. AID SOCIETIES.

Any Society can have the loan of the Box of Teloogoo Curiosities sent by Mrs. Armstrong, by the payment of fifty cents, and Express or Postage charges. Address Secretary Central Board.

For the information of friends in the country we wish to say, that we hope to send the Box for our missionaries in May next.

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### Acknowledgments.

Dear Editor,—Our Board wish to acknowledge the receipt of the following sums:—

#### For Home Missions.

Mrs. J. K. Ryerson, Yarmouth.....\$14 00  
W. H. Gridley, Esq., " 10 00  
" A Friend, " 1 00  
Collection " 2 78  
Rev. E. J. Grant, Hawkesbury.....1 00

#### For the French Mission.

Balance, per J. S. McDonald,  
Esq., Wolfville.....\$ 0 50  
Annapolis Church, per Rev. T. A. Higgins.....5 00  
Brookfield Church, per Rev. F. O. Weeks.....4 40  
Caledonia, do 1 60  
Total.....\$40 28

G. E. DAY.

Yarmouth, March 30, 1877.

We hope the friends of Home Missions will send in their contributions as speedily as possible. G. E. D.

### Letters Received.

T. Trotter, \$2. J. J. Parker, \$5. J. E. Lockwood, \$8. A. E. Durland, P. Smith, \$2. M. Kinsman, 1 sub., \$2. S. C. Beardsley, \$2. Rev. Dr. Tupper, (2) \$3 & \$6. A. Knowlton, \$2. L. C. Layton, \$5. H. C. Sabean—yes, all right—\$2. Weymouth Crowell, \$1. Rev. J. H. Robbins, J. K. Robbins, \$1. C. Eaton, Esq., \$3. N. H. Phinian, \$2. T. M. King, Esq., \$6.50. Peter Isnor, yes, your paper is sent regularly. Mrs. W. McConnell, \$5.1. D. Whitman, \$5. N. Miller, Esq., \$5.50. D. F. Curry, Esq., 1 sub. D. W. Morton, thanks. Rev. I. J. Skinner, \$4. B. C. Robbins, \$2. J. D. Halford, Esq., \$4. J. D. Marsters, \$4. Rev. W. H. Richan, \$2.

the past year the revenue from the Mines, instead of being \$60,000 would have actually been \$115,903.62, which would show a very prosperous condition of the mining interest indeed, and was not borne out by the facts. So with regard to the Hospital for the Insane. He was sorry to see that the chief feature of the financial policy of the Government was to place a restriction upon the free intermarriage of the people.

Hon. Prov. Secretary said in the matter of Coroners' Inquests, the Government had intended to bring in a short bill making that a county charge, but the hon. member for Guysboro had already introduced a bill to that effect.

A good deal of discussion then arose on the additions made to the road grants of Halifax and Guysboro Counties.

Mr. Longley wanted to know on what principle such enormous advances were made to certain counties, while others were obliged to keep within the mark. The assets that the hon. Prov. Secretary had referred to, he apprehended, were not worth fifty cents to the dollar. He had looked in vain through the estimates of last year for one dollar due the Lunatic Asylum, or one dollar due on account of coal mines, and yet members were now told that the Province had as assets \$111,000 due from these two sources alone.

Mr. Francheville said that last year a simple act of justice had been done to the county of Guysboro' and Halifax. So far as Guysboro' was concerned it was a well-known fact that it required all the money it received, and a great deal more.

Mr. Longley said he found that the advances to Guysborough amounted to \$12,000, notwithstanding the addition of \$2,500 to the grant last year, and in addition to this he believed the county had had a pretty liberal allowance in the shape of extra grants. He believed that a careful examination of the figures upon the table of the House would reveal a state of things with regard to road advances which he contended was not creditable to the Government or the country, or to the counties which had obtained these large advances.

Mr. Francheville said that Guyborough had been in debt for a number of years. The present members had been trying to pay that debt off.

On WEDNESDAY the House sat for some time with closed doors.

Mr. Holmes spoke of the workmen on the roads being paid their wages, and thought there should be some legislation to protect them.

Dr. Farrell introduced a bill to enable the City Council to assess for the support of the Public Gardens.

Hon. Prov. Sec., as a chairman of the Committee on Education, reported the bill to establish a High School for the City of Halifax.

On THURSDAY after some preliminary business the House went into Committee of Supply. A warm discussion took place on the road advances made to some of the counties and adjourned till Monday.

On MONDAY after the Hon. Provincial Secretary had exonerated Mr. Woodworth from a charge of using county moneys improperly, the House went into Committee of Supply. It is expected that the Legislature will close at the end of the week.

ELECTRICITY! THOMAS' EXCELSIOR ELECTRIC OIL!—WORTH TEN TIMES ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD.—Pain cannot stay where it is used. It is the cheapest medicine ever made. One dose cures common sore throat. One bottle has cured bronchitis. Fifty cents' worth has cured an old standing cough. It positively cures catarrh, asthma and croup. Fifty cents' worth has cured crick in the back, and the same quantity lame back of eight years' standing. The following extracts are from a few of the many letters that have been received from different parts of Canada, which, we think, should be sufficient to satisfy the most sceptical: J. Collard, of Sparta, Ont., writes, "Send me 6 dozen Mr. Thomas' Electric Oil, have sold all I had from you, and want more now; its cures are truly wonderful." Wm. McGuire, of Franklin, writes, "I have sold all the agent left, its acts like a charm—it was slow at first, but takes splendidly now." H. Cole, of Iona, writes, "Please forward 6 dozen Thomas' Electric Oil, I am nearly out, nothing equals it. It is highly recommended by those who have used it." J. Bedford, Thanesville, writes, "Send at once a further supply of Electric Oil, I have only one bottle left. I never saw anything sell so well and give such general satisfaction." J. Thompson, Woodford, writes, "Send me some more Electric Oil. I have sold entirely out. Nothing takes like it." Miller Muir, on her passage from Havre to Mexico, on the 20th December last, John E. Jones, chief mate, of Pugwash.

At ANTIGONISH, on Saturday, 31st March, Aaron D. Harrington, Esq., aged 77 years.

At HARTRIEFIELD, on the 30th March, Peter Edward Bronté, aged 51 years.

At SUNDAY, March 31st, Mary, widow of the late George McKenzie, in the 75th year of her age.

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